

JOB CONTROLS

1. Under general supervision of Master, receives job assignments and instructions and performs duties relative to the operation and general maintenance of towboat.
2. Performs work assignments according to verbal instructions, written directives, District Regulations, and navigation rules. Work is spot checked for compliance with requirements of particular job assignment.

MAJOR DUTIES

As 2nd Mate on a towboat, normally supervises deck crew on watch including head deckhands and deckhands in performing general maintenance of deck, making up tows and inspecting and watching tow in route.

1. Stands a regular watch and is responsible for the continued operation, maintenance and safety of the boat during watch. Is responsible for work performance of deck crew in making and breaking up of tow, inspecting tow in route, and working with deckhands directing necessary adjustments to insure safety of equipment and crew.
2. Sounds river bottom with leadlines during low water stages where dangerous crossings exist. Sounds barges in tow to determine leakage and amount of water, and notifies Master concerning findings. Pumps water from barges and plugs leak when possible to insure safe travel.
3. Works with and directs deck crew in keeping deck and equipment in good condition, work includes the splicing of lines and cables, deck maintenance and repair, painting, chipping, scrubbing, etc. Sees that signal lights are in good condition and burning. Lights include running, starboard, port, signal and search lights.
4. Assists in conducting fire and life saving drills. Requisitions through Master or 1st mate the necessary materials and supplies for use in deck maintenance, and maintenance of safe tow operation.
5. Work requires a license covering a thorough knowledge of navigation and marine regulations.
6. Is required to know, comply with, and enforce all applicable safety regulations relative to towing operations.

Performs other incidental duties as assigned.